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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

 (Currently amended) A solid electrolyte fuel cell comprising a laminate of a limited fuel-permeating part, an anode collector, an anode catalyst layer, a solid electrolyte membrane, a cathode catalyst layer, a cathode collector and an evaporation inhibiting layer in sequence.

wherein the evaporation inhibiting layer is made of a woven or unwoven fabric containing fibrous cellulose and covers at least part of the surface of the cathode collector, the evaporation inhibiting layer having a volume expansion coefficient of 4.5 or less and initiating water migration from the evaporation inhibiting layer to the cathode at a temperature of 80°C or lower.

2. - 6. (Cancelled)

- (Previously presented) The solid electrolyte fuel cell as claimed in Claim 1, wherein
 a container reserving a liquid fuel supplied to an anode side is placed adjacently to the limited fuelpermeating part.
- 8. (Original) The solid electrolyte fuel cell as claimed in Claim 7, wherein the container comprises a fuel-absorbing member which is placed adjacently to a part of the limited fuel-permeating part and absorbs the liquid fuel; and

a part which is not adjacent to the fuel-absorbing member in the limited fuel-permeating part comprises a gas discharging part for discharging a gas generated by a cell reaction.

9. - 13. (Cancelled)